ICATION FOR UNITED STATES FATENT **DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Docket No.: 105173

6/6 Sus

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

SURFACE INSPECTION METHOD, SURFACE INSPECTION

APPARATUS, AND RECORDING MEDIUM AND DATA SIGNAL FOR PROVIDING SURFACE

TNSPECTION PROGRAM described and claimed in the specification:

^-		one	
ı n	PCK	ODE	

* a.		attached hereto.					
b.	X	filed on	as Application No	and amended on	_ (if applicable).		
		Janua	ary 12.2000				

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

Under Title 35, U.S. Code §119, the priority benefits of the following foreign application(s) and/or United States provisional application(s) filed within one year prior to this application are hereby claimed:

Japanese Patent Application No.11-006242 filed January 13,1999

The following application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention were filed in countries foreign to the United States of America either (a) more than one year prior to this application, or (b) before the filing date of the above-named foreign priority application(s) and/or United States provisional application(s):

I hereby appoint the following as my attorneys of record with full power of substitution and revocation toprosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent Office:

> James A. Oliff, Reg. No. 27,075; William P. Berridge, Reg. No. 30,024; Kirk M. Hudson, Reg. No. 27,562; Thomas J. Pardini, Reg. No. 30,411; Edward P. Walker, Reg. No. 31,450; Robert A. Miller, Registration No. 32,771 and Mario A. Costantino, Registration No. 33,565.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION SHOULD BE SENT TO OLIFF & BERRIDGE, P.L.C., P.L.C., P.O. BOX 19928, ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22320, TELEPHONE (703) 836-6400.

I hereby declare that I have reviewed and understand the contents of this Declaration, and that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Typewritten Full Name of First or Sole Inventor Koi *Inventor's Signature:		ichiro		KOMATSU
		Given Name	Middle Initial	Family Name
		Koichiro	Ka	mateu
*Date of Signature:		JAN	2′7	2000
		Month	Day	Year
Residence:	Setagaya-	ku	токуо	JAPAN
		City	State or Province	Country
Citizenship:	_Japan			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Post Office Address (Insert complete	C/O Nikon Cor	poration,Fuji Bldg.	,2-3,Marunouchi
	mailing address, including country)	3-chome, Chiyo	da-ku, TOKYO 100-833	1 JAPAN
ALE Day (a. V.)		ou he executed only who	on attached to the enecification (in	cluding claims)

- *If Box (a.) is checked, this form may be executed only when attached to the specification (including claims).
- ★*Note to Inventor: Please sign name exactly as it appears above and insert actual date of signing.

PAGE 2 OF U.S.A. DECLARATION FORM card this page in a sole inventor apartion)

6168us

Typewritten Full Name OOMORI of Second Joint Inventor (if any) Ta<u>keo</u> Middle Initial Given Name Family Name **Inventor's Signature: 10 more **Date of Signature: 2000 Month Dáv Year Residence: Katsushika-ku TOKYO JAPAN State or Province City Country Citizenship: Japan Post Office Address: C/O Nikon Corporation, Fuji Bldg., 2-3, Marunouchi (insert complete mailing address, 3-chome, Chiyoda-ku, TOKYO 100-8331 JAPAN including country) Typewritten Full Name of Third Joint Inventor (if any) Given Name Middle Initial Family Name **Inventor's Signature: **Date of Signature: Day Year Month Residence: State or Province Country City Citizenship: Post Office Address: (Insert complete mailing address, including country) Typewritten Full Name of Fourth Joint Inventor (if any) Given Name Middle Initial Family Name **Inventor's Signature: **Date of Signature: Day Year Month Residence: State or Province Country City Citizenship: Post Office Address: (Insert complete mailing address, including country) Typewritten Full Name of Fifth Joint Inventor (if any) Given Name Middle Initial Family Name **Inventor's Signature: **Date of Signature: Month Day Year Residence: State or Province Country City Citizenship: Post Office Address: (Insert complete mailing address, including country)